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- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
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- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$160.
  - \$160 for 2 independent claims over 3 .
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- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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**PATENT**

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In re: Patent application of :  
Earl Hennenhoefer, Richard V. :  
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Serial No.: 09/824,531 :  
Filed: April 2, 2001 : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
For: An Intelligent Device System And Method :  
For Distribution Of Digital Signals On A : Attorney Docket No.: 01-40064-US  
Wideband Signal Distribution Signal :

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Attention: Office of Initial Patent Examination Division

Dear Sir:

This is in response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date  
Granted (PTO 1553) mailed by the U.S. Patent Office on June 1, 2001, the response to which is due  
August 1, 2001.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.1.0**

I hereby certify that this paper, along with any paper referred to as being attached or  
enclosed, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service. "Express Mail Post  
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*Marie G. Duden*

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Date: 28 June, 2001 Express Mail Label No. EL598335866US

Applicants are entitled to claim small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(c).

The following papers are being submitted herewith:

1. Declaration and Power of Attorney duly signed by Earl Hennenhoefer, Richard V. Snyder and Robert D. Stine;
2. Check in the amount of \$500.00 broken down as follows:
  - a. \$355.00 for the basic filing fee;
  - b. \$80.00 for the presentation of 2 independent claims in excess of 3;
  - c. \$65.00 surcharge for the submission of a late Declaration and Power of Attorney and filing fee; and
  - d. Separate check for \$40.00 for the Assignment recordation fee;
3. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
4. Assignment Recordation Sheet and Assignment.

Please charge any other fee required and/or credit any over charge with respect to this response to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.

Respectfully submitted,



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Sir:

Upon review of the attached filing receipt, Applicant noted an error in the filing receipt.  
Applicants therefore respectfully request correction of this error;

**Priority Information:** priority claimed from U.S. Serial No. 09/749,258 filed December 27,  
2000, application still pending.

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Enclosed is a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney of the application, as filed, showing the priority claimed from U.S. Serial No. 09/749,258 filed December 27, 2000, application still pending.

No fee is believed to be due as the error is a USPTO error. However, if any fee is believed to be due, please charge the undersigned's deposit account No. 18-0586.

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